

The Montana Office of Public Instruction is taking comments from districts and schools regarding a waiver being proposed under the ESEA/NCLB Act. OPI is requesting a one-year waiver for the Title III Annual Measurable Achievement Objective (AMAO) 3 that would permit the State to continue in 2015-2016 the improvement status that a LEA has for the 2014-2015 school year. This would allow the LEA to continue implementing the same Title III sanctions in 2015-2016 that it used in the 2014-2015 school year, if the reason for missing AMAO 3 based on 2014-2015 assessments is due to achievement in reading/language arts or mathematics in the LEA. This waiver is in regards to section 3122 (a)(3)(A)(iii) of the ESEA.

The window for taking comments on this waiver will run from September 14, 2015, at 8:00 AM, until September 18, 2015, at 5:00 PM. Comments can be sent to the following email address: opiwaivers@mt.gov.

If you have questions about the proposed waiver, please contact Natalee Rowe, Title III and Indian Education Specialist, Montana Office of Public Instruction, 406-444-3482 or nrowe@mt.gov.